

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 25 – 69 are pending in the application.

Claims 12 – 24 are canceled without prejudice and claims 1 – 11 were cancelled in the preliminary amendment accompanying the national stage filing of this PCT application on August 24, 2001.

A complete listing of all of the claims is now present in this response. The status identifier was added for cancelled claims 1 – 11. All other claims are shown with the identifier applied in the amendment filed August 15, 2003 as there are no changes to these claims in this response.

Applicant has attempted to be fully responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and believes that claims 25-69 are in condition for allowance.

However, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, the undersigned would very much welcome a telephone call in order to discuss appropriate claim language that will place the application into condition for allowance.

Respectfully Submitted,

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